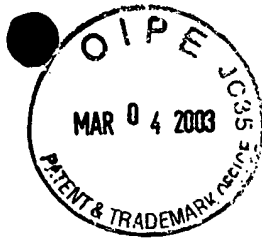


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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated December 4, 2002, reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are earnestly solicited in view of the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Note that all the claims currently pending in this application have been reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience.